

## HOTTEST DAY YET; MERCURY 95

STOOD AT 90 AFTER SUNSET AND WILL BE HIGH TO-DAY.

New York for Once Almost as Hot as Philadelphia—Air Dry, Breeze Stiff, but Warm—Subway Cooler This Time Than Street Level—Eastport, Me., Was Cool.

It was a blistering day, the hottest of the summer by five degrees, and although the breeze sometimes sent the bunting flying out to horizontal, having a force of twenty-six miles, there was no relief in it. It came out of the arid west and was like a blast from a furnace. At times there was hardly enough moisture in the air to induce perspiration. Blowing across asphalted places the breeze acquired more heat and made thermometers that it smote rise like the red liquid in an elevator indicator.

Some of the more ardent thermometers that faced the sun got up to 104 degrees. The actual temperature as measured on top of the American Surety Building, where Forecaster Emery translates actual readings, was 95 degrees at 4 o'clock P. M., and then the breeze was at top notch. There was one town hotter than New York, and that was Philadelphia, the hottest on the continent, not even excepting the very warmest places down among the orange groves and alligators. Philadelphia had 96 degrees.

The crest of the heat wave was over the coastwise part of New York, all over New Jersey, part of Pennsylvania and most of Connecticut. Down at Atlantic City the temperature was only one degree less than it was here, and the westerly breeze, being offshore, made the city by the sea seem as if it had been moved out Nevada Desert way.

The heat here hung on even after the sun went down, and at 8 o'clock last night the thermometer, even on the cool official tower, marked 90 degrees. Nearly everywhere else where it had been intensely hot in the day the temperature at night was at stifling figures.

There was one oasis in the dusty desert of torridity and that was Eastport, Me., where last night folks were sleeping under blankets with the mercury down to 52 degrees. Even Chicago, which had a maximum of 94 degrees in the afternoon, was comfortable last night with 74 degrees. The tumble of twenty degrees was due to the wind shifting from the hot quarter and coming off the watery back yard of the town.

Forecaster Emery sat last night out on the breezy roof of his observatory, with as little on as the law allows, and declared that the breeze was a deception and a snare, as there was nothing in it but heat for a long stretch of parched territory extending as far as Nebraska. These were some of the figures he reeled off from telegraphic reports that perishing messenger boys delivered to him at five minute intervals:

Davenport, Ia., 94 degrees; Omaha, 94 degrees; Milwaukee, 94 degrees; Kansas City, 94 degrees; Cincinnati, 94 degrees; St. Louis, 94 degrees; North Platte, 94 degrees.

To the southward—that is, below Washington—it was not so warm as it was in the West and hereabouts. There was nothing on the weather map last night to show that the altitudinous figures of yesterday were going to be less to-day. Conditions at sea may give rise to a change, but there are no weather stations on the deep to tell us.

The barometric record on the map indicated no disturbance that will be likely to break up the hot wave. Washington last night reinforced the opinion of the local prophets by predicting "continued high temperature to-day and to-morrow and light to west to southwest winds." Winds from these points are likely to be just as hot as they were yesterday, and maybe a little hotter.

For the first time since the hot weather came, the subway yesterday was cool compared to the surface. There wasn't much air moving about the platforms, except on the stations that have been fitted with electric fans, but they were far more comfortable than the street level was. In the trains there was plenty of air. Once they were in motion there was a continual breeze that was very pleasing and exhilarating to the passengers because it was so unexpected. All the car doors, front and rear, are kept open, and the rear doors of the last cars on both the local and express trains have been kept open, letting the air rush through the entire train. This creates a draft, but it is cooling.

On days of high temperature the employees of the subway say traffic falls off considerably. Traffic seemed to be lighter yesterday than on any hot day we have had so far. Heretofore the subway on warm days has not been cooler than above ground, but yesterday was an exception, and the fault finders of the heat in the subway will have to admit it.

Twenty-nine heat prostrations were reported by the police in Manhattan and the Bronx, with seven in Brooklyn. One death from the heat was reported in Manhattan and one in Brooklyn. The latter was the case of a man who died in a Flushing avenue car crossing the Bridge.

Thousands of Italians who live in Frog Hollow, at 149th street, slept in the streets last night, most of them bringing mattresses and blankets, and a few even beds. The police had to drive them off the streets frequently to make passage room for vehicles as well as for foot travelers. Near the Jerome Park reservoir, where there is another colony of Italians, the conditions were much the same, many of them taking their beds over to the park and sleeping there. Trolley car riding was a popular way of passing the evening.

## ROOSEVELT TRYING TO BE COOL

Spends Most of a Hot Day in and On the Water.

OYSTER BAY, July 17.—President Roosevelt has appointed Commander Cameron McFadyen to command the Mayflower, which will be one of the ships that will bring the peace plenipotentiaries here from New York. The other ship will be the Dolphin. From Oyster Bay the ships will take the envoys to Portsmouth.

The heat was so great to-day that the President spent almost the entire day on the water and in it. He telephoned assistant Secretary Barnes not to come until 5 o'clock in the afternoon with his letters and routine work. No official visitor came to-day and none is expected to-morrow.

NORTHERN NEW YORK BROUGHT NEARER.—The Second Empire of the New York Central brings all Central and Northern New York nearer to the metropolis. Oswego, 8 hours; Clayton, 8 hours; Watertown, 7½ hours.—Ad.

## MURPHY CHAUFFEUR STILL FREE

Jury Again Fails to Agree That Tammany Leader's Man Scored.

PATCOQUE, July 17.—Carl R. Steadman, chauffeur for Charles F. Murphy, the Tammany leader, was retried this evening before Justice H. Clay Loebe upon a charge of having on May 22 last exceeded the legal speed limit by running an automobile in West Main street, this village. The jury disagreed, as did a previous one, which had heard the flatly contradictory evidence.

The automobile which Steadman was running belongs to Mr. Murphy, but the Tammany chief did not figure in the affair at all, except as owner, as he was not in the car, George W. Loft, who was Mr. Murphy's guest on the day in question, being the chief occupant when Steadman was halted.

There were several adjournments during June when the case was called for trial. Mr. Loft electing to make a fight for Steadman. The adjournments were had on one pretext or another, usually because some material witness was absent, but on June 20 the case went to trial and the deputy sheriffs who made the arrest swore flatly the machine was going far in excess of ten miles an hour. With equal positiveness it was testified by Steadman, Loft and two other men that the machine was going very slowly and well within the limit. That jury disagreed, three and three.

A new trial was set for this evening and a panel of jurors drawn from outside of Patcoque. It was exhausted when four men had been accepted, so an emergency panel of local men was obtained, and two of them were chosen to fill the box.

The testimony was a repetition of that given at the first trial and again the jury failed to agree. This time it stood four to two in favor of the prosecution. One of the Patcoque men voted to convict and the other to acquit. It was exceedingly hot and the Justice excused the jury after a short session when it was seen that they could not agree. It is not believed the case will be tried again.

## RICH MAN IMPUGNS MARRIAGE

On Ground of Wife's Void Divorce, Such as Figured in Morse Case.

HENRY SANFORD, a mechanical engineer of the firm of Bellman & Sanford, has begun action in the Supreme Court to have his marriage to Jessie Grace Engeman Sanford annulled on the ground that the divorce she had obtained from her first husband, Engeman, was invalid under the laws of this State.

Sanford inherited a fortune on the death of his grandfather, who bore the same name. John D. Lindsay, for Mrs. Sanford, appeared yesterday before Supreme Court Justice Giegrich and asked for an allowance of alimony pending the trial of the suit. Mr. Lindsay stated on the argument that Sanford has an income of \$50,000 a year and lives at the rate of fully \$20,000. Without touching on the details of the case, Mr. Lindsay said that his client had a good fortune.

Arthur L. Livermore, counsel for Sanford, opposed the application on the ground that Mrs. Sanford has no case and is therefore not entitled to alimony. Mr. Livermore said that Mrs. Sanford had obtained a divorce in Wyoming in 1900, but that neither she nor her husband, Engeman, was a resident of Wyoming at the time. Justice Giegrich took the motion under advisement.

Neither Mr. Lindsay nor Mr. Livermore made much of the suit yesterday, and Mr. Sanford was out of town. His partner, Mr. Bellman, referred all inquiries to Mr. Livermore.

## LETS DANIELL OUT OF JAIL

Justice Bischoff Terminates Imprisonment for Failure to Pay Alimony.

Supreme Court Justice Bischoff released William Sohler Daniell from Ludlow Street Jail yesterday. Daniell was arrested some weeks ago for failure to pay alimony to his former wife, Elizabeth G. Rock, who divorced him three years ago. Arrears of alimony to the amount of \$5,500 have accumulated. Daniell has a net worth of \$100,000. Daniell has remarried since the divorce, and is now in poor circumstances. He was disinherited by his grandfather, John Daniell, the dry goods merchant, and he did not succeed in the brokerage business. His counsel, Charles E. Munn, represented Justice Bischoff, that Daniell's health was failing in jail, and that his continued imprisonment simply prevented him from attempting to make a living and pay off his debts. He has no friends willing to come to his financial aid, it is said, and cannot raise any money. His former wife is said to be well to do in her own right. She lives at 31 East Fifty-seventh street.

## NOW THE ICEMAN HAS STRUCK

There Will Be a New Face at the Area Door To-day, If Any.

Seven hundred ice handlers employed by the American Ice Company have on strike yesterday for higher wages and shorter hours. The drivers didn't join the men who stand on the back platforms of the ice wagons.

Since the hot spell set in there has been a good deal of grumbling among the ice handlers. They complained of being soaked by housewives because ice melted quickly, as well as of the long hours of work and the low pay. They say they have to work from 6 o'clock in the morning until as late as 10 and 11 at night.

The company began to fill the places of the strikers and the strike broke to pieces. The strikers gathered at the ice depots and so many got together at the company's plant, 528 to 534 West Sixteenth street, that George W. Westall, the manager, sent to the West Twentieth street police station to ask protection for the new men. Patrolmen were detailed to watch the place and the other depots. Edward Russell, 28 years old, of 437 West Thirty-second street, was arrested at Tenth avenue and Sixty-third street on the charge of disorderly conduct. It was alleged that he was interfering with the new men on the wagons.

## KANSAS FULL OF WHEAT.

Harvest Worth Three Times the Present Value of the Land.

TOPEKA, Kan., July 17.—Stories from the wheat threshing show this year's crop to be a record breaker. General Passenger Agent Black of the Santa Fe to-day received notice of a yield of nearly bushels an acre in Ford county. Of course, this is an exception, but many fields report a yield of over fifty bushels an acre. The remarkable fact is that the heaviest yield and the finest berries are found in western Kansas. In hundreds of instances the wheat crop harvested this year is worth three or four times the present value of the land. The Santa Fe officials say the State's yield will be more than 800,000,000 bushels.

Dew's Sauterne and Dry Muscatel Wines. Dew's just satisfying in summer weather. H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 135 Fulton St., New York.

## TOWN TOPICS GIVES UP BOOKS

YES IN THE AFTERNOON FOLLOWS NO IN THE MORNING.

Grand Jury Subpoenas Deeds Tunc Mean-time Had Been Issued for Justice Deuel, Daniels and Wooster—Martin Engel Bails Able Out of the Tombs.

For the present at least it will not be necessary for the District Attorney to have a Grand Jury investigation to find out who subscribed for "Fads and Fancies" and who got the \$150,000 paid in on subscriptions for the book which Town Topics started four years ago and which has not yet left the hands of the printer. There was a change yesterday in the attitude of the representatives of Town Topics, who at first declined to produce the books, but later decided to let District Attorney Jerome have access to them.

Early yesterday morning Edward Lauterbach, counsel for Town Topics in this particular case, telephoned to Assistant District Attorney Krotel and asked him what was wanted of Town Topics.

"Mr. Jerome," said Mr. Krotel, "is very anxious to see the books of Town Topics. We have asked W. L. Daniels, the secretary and treasurer of the company, to produce them, but he says that Justice Deuel is the only one who has that authority. Justice Deuel tells me that he has not the authority. In the absence of Col. W. D. Mann, he says, Daniels is the only one who has that authority."

The board of directors called Capt. Neilson as he stood on the bridge, "Haverford aho!" What are you carrying—babies and nursing bottles?"

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## QUEEN'S NEW RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Alexandra Makes a Speech Urging the Need of the Work.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN. LONDON, July 17.—The King and Queen lately inaugurated the formation of a new Red Cross society to cooperate with all existing societies in succoring the sick and wounded in time of war. The council appointed the Queen president and Lord Rothschild chairman. At a meeting at Buckingham Palace the Queen made a speech briefly outlining the objects of the society, an inclusive she said:

"I now appeal to all the women of the empire to assist me in carrying out the great scheme, which is essentially the work of women and which is the one only way in which we can assist our brave and gallant army and navy to perform their arduous duties in time of war."

## CLARENCE DOLAN INDIGNANT.

He and His Chauffeur Both Fined for the One Offense.

NEWPORT, R. I., July 17.—Clarence C. Dolan of Philadelphia was called on to-day to pay two fines for the speeding of his automobile, one for the chauffeur of \$20 and costs and a similar amount for himself. He was summoned to appear before a special session of the police court late this afternoon and on his arrival at the police station he was very indignant and demanded to know what he was wanted for. The warrant was read to him which charged that he "did ride and drive faster than a common traveling pace."

Mr. Dolan began to argue, claiming that it was his man who was driving the machine. He was informed by the chief of police that he was called on to do because he is a friend of Col. Mann and if guilty he could have an opportunity to prove it in the district court. Mr. Dolan pleaded not guilty, and bail was fixed at \$100. Mr. Dolan offered cash bail, but was refused, and the court would not accept bail from an attorney who was in court.

Mr. Dolan did not know what to do. His chauffeur advised him to plead guilty, which he finally did and paid his fine, saying that he had paid twice for the same offense. Judge Franklin holds that the owner of a machine who is in it at the time of violation of the law is as guilty as the driver.

## PANAMA WELFARE MANAGER.

Dorchester Man Is Appointed and Will Go With Shonts.

BOSTON, July 17.—William J. Nazro of Dorchester, who was a gold medalist for welfare work at St. Louis, has just received an appointment as welfare manager of the National Civic Federation, the employees of which are engaged on the construction of the Panama Canal. Mr. Nazro was graduated from Harvard with the class of '97. After a course of three years in gardening and architecture he entered the employ of the Plymouth Cordage Company as welfare manager.

Nazro has had a large experience in landscape gardening and laying out of recreation grounds, having served in France and Italy giving special attention to the study of these features. He will sail for the Isthmus from New York with Commissioner Shonts and Chief Engineer Stevens on July 20 to investigate the needs of the grounds, having secured the cooperation of the situation and will make recommendations to the commission.

## R. A. C. SMITH'S AUTO AFIRE.

Only the Driver in It—Machine Damaged About \$500—Worth.

An automobile owned by R. A. C. Smith of 100 Broadway took fire at Amsterdam avenue and Sixty-fifth street last night, and before the flames were put out about \$500 damage had been done.

Only the driver was in the machine.

## NOT TO ENFORCE FINE AGAINST THE ROOSEVELTS.

James R. Garfield, Acting Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor, notified Collector Stranahan yesterday to refrain from enforcing the fine in the case of Commodore Peary's vessel, the Roosevelt.

The Roosevelt was fined \$500 for coming from Maine under a master carpenter's license, and was allowed to sail for the North Pole under bond. This action of the Department is taken as an indication that the fine will be remitted.

The West Shore Railroad is in \$5,000 debt to Buffalo and Niagara Falls. Up the Hudson and through the Mohawk Valley.—Ad.

## TO ASSIST ENGINEER STEVENS.

Jackson Smith to Sail With Him for Colon on Thursday.

Jackson Smith, lately assistant to President Metcalf of the Mexican National Railroad system, has been appointed personal assistant to John F. Stevens, chief engineer of the Panama Canal. Mr. Smith, who was at the Waldorf last night, confirmed the news of his appointment. He is the personal choice of Mr. Stevens.

Mr. Smith, a South Carolina man, about 40 years old, received his training as a practical railroad man on the Louisville and Nashville road and has spent five years in the tropics, first as manager of construction for the Guayaquil and Quito Railroad of Ecuador and later as assistant to the head of the Mexican railroad system. He has had experience in assembling and managing large bodies of men on construction work. He will leave for the Isthmus with Mr. Stevens, when the chief engineer sails on Thursday aboard the Panama liner Mexico.

## 109 BABIES IN PORT.

Haverford Didn't Need a Siren All the Way Across.

PHILADELPHIA, July 17.—The big American liner Haverford looked like a floating nursery as she bumped into her dock at the Washington avenue wharf this morning. In the cabins, of the same address, and the steerage the cries of infants arose above the din of engines and the clank of chains. There were Syrian babies and English babies, black, white, yellow and brown babies, just 109 in all.

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## SHIP HAD ONE PLAGUE CASE

At Suez, and a Lascar Died Near This Port—Crew Held for Observation.

Capt. Williams of the British steamship Indrani, which arrived yesterday from Aden and Suez, reported to Health Officer Doty at quarantine that a month ago, at Suez, one of the ship's crew, a Lascar, was taken ashore ill apparently of bubonic plague. On Saturday, about 40 miles off this port, another Lascar died and was buried at sea. The captain said this man did not have the plague.

Dr. Doty made a careful examination of the crew of forty-eight men, all Chinese and Lascars, and found that none was ill. As a precautionary measure, however, he decided to send all hands to Hoffman Island for observation. A new crew will be sent down to bring the ship up to dock to-day. Suez was disinfecting.

## TWO COPS EAT FORTY PIES.

Contest in Tremont Police Station Ended by Charred Crust—Score 22 to 18.

There was a pie eating contest between two cops last night in the Tremont avenue police station. The Bronx Policeman Francis Curran ate 22, to Patrolman Herman Meyer's 18. Curran got away with his 22 in just 23 minutes.

Up to the eighteenth pie it was almost an even break, Curran being about a crust-rib in the lead, but then Meyer got hold of one that he burnt some, and the grit, he said, made his throat sore. The pies were assorted and bakery made.

All the other cops in the station house watched the contest, which grew out of a dispute as to the number of pieces of pie a man ought to eat at dinner. Meyer had to pay for all forty pies.

Both cops went out on duty afterward.

## BUYS OIL IN KANSAS NOW.

Standard Oil Company Takes All That's Offered.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 17.—The Standard Oil Company to-day lifted the boycott on the Kansas fields which had been in effect for nearly a year and is now taking all oil of all grades offered. This order marks the opening of the pipe line from Kansas City to Whiting, Ind., the completion of which gives the Standard facilities for handling the oil.

## NO MORE NEWSBOYS ON CARS.

One Jumped on Mr. Fuller's Toe and His Son Complained to the Company.

A newsboy on one of the Union Railroad Company's trolley cars in the Bronx stepped on William Fuller's toe a few days ago, and Mr. Fuller's son wrote a letter to the company complaining.

The company issued an order yesterday against any newsboys selling papers on cars, and the conductors had a lively time of the day enforcing the rule.

Mr. Fuller of the sore toe lives at 1281 Washington avenue.

## BURGARS NEAR MRS. COHEN'S.

Girl Heard Them Trying to Enter Flat—Caught After Hot Chase.

John Rawley, 22 years old, of 64 East 113th street, and John Connelley of 1880 Third avenue, were arrested yesterday afternoon at 113th street and Fifth avenue after a chase of several blocks, in which over a hundred people took part. The two were found on the second floor of the flat house at 96 West 118th street by Miss Bertha Kramer, who told the police that they were trying to get into the apartment of Jacob Schindler, across the hall from her. The Schindlers went to Arverne last Saturday to spend the summer.

Miss Kramer heard a noise and when she looked out saw the two men trying to open the Schindlers' door. She yelled "thieves," and the two ran up the stairs to the roof. Mrs. Lawlor, who lives on the floor above, ran out in time to see them going up the stairs. Both women ran after the men, yelling for help.

Connelley and Rawley ran to the corner house at Lenox avenue. Mrs. Lawlor and Miss Kramer then turned back, and by the time they gained the street the two men had come down the stairs, too, and started toward Fifth avenue. The women gave chase and were joined by Policemen Cox of the Lenox street station.

The two men ran on to 113th street, where they came upon an express wagon into which they jumped. Connelley was whipped down the street, but Policeman Cox overtook them. He climbed into the wagon, and had to stop and submit to arrest.

They were taken to the East 128th street station. They had a jimmy and other burglars' tools. The place the men tried to get into is just around the corner from the residence of Mrs. Bertha Cohen, who was found Saturday morning tied to the bedpost in her apartment at 1432 Fifth avenue with some of her diamonds missing and the house on fire.

## BURGARS AND SNEAK THIEVES

and several others are being sought by a police of the ARMA INDEMNITY CO. Particulars, 66 William St., N. Y. City. Tel. 4670-John.

Insist upon having Burnett's Vanilla.—Ad.

## WOMEN MOB BOAT ROCKER.

HE ALL BUT CAUSED DROWNING OF THREE YOUNG GIRLS.

Two Scamps Enter Boat Despite Protest of Occupants—Capsize It While the Girls Scream—Swim Ashore, Leaving Victims for Real Men to Rescue.

The fool who rocks the boat was in evidence on Audubon beach, at 151st street and the Hudson River, yesterday afternoon, and for once he got his just deserts. In the middle of the afternoon a crowd of young men, said to belong to the Paul Kelly Association, appeared at the beach and began to make things unpleasant for the other bathers.

When their fun was at its height three girls, Agnes McLaughlin of 261 West 121st street, Nellie Hatton of the same address, and Carrie Bauer of 97 West 108th street, approached the boat in a small boat. One of the youths, who afterward said he was Samuel Brooks of 220 Fifth street, and an unknown man, were standing on the boat in bathing suits, and as the boat drew in they caught hold and stepped on board.

The girls protested, but the men took the oars and rowed out into the stream. When a short distance out Brooks stood up and began to rock the boat. The girls screamed and called out that they could not swim, but Brooks kept on until the boat filled with water and capsized. Paying no attention to the cries of the girls, Brooks and his companion swam for shore without making even an attempt at rescue.

The beach was crowded at the time and three men promptly went in after the drowning girls. Edward Maher was not in a bathing suit, but that did not stop him, and George King of the Knickerbocker Canoe Club and E. C. Seabury, a newspaper man, followed quickly. Seabury gave one of the Bauer girls, but had a hard fight to make the beach. He got her within reach of the people on shore, but went down himself and was rescued by William Miller, a lifesaver from Manhattan beach. Maher and King got the other girls ashore without much trouble, and the three were carried to the pavilion, where restoratives were administered.

Meanwhile the crowd had discovered Brooks, who had apparently remained to see the result of his work. As soon as his identity was made known the women on the beach mobbed him, the lifesavers joined in and there was talk of throwing him into the river when Policeman Gallagher of the West 152d street station came up and took charge.

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## BROOKLYN'S WATER FAMINE.

Pressure Further Reduced—All Sprinkling Carts Withdrawn From Streets.

The officials of the Water Department in Brooklyn and the Engineer De Varona had another conference yesterday in reference to the continued decrease of the supply in the storage reservoirs, and as a precautionary measure the reduction in the pressure from ten to five pounds will be maintained until rains bring relief. Yesterday morning the total amount in the reservoirs was only \$66,743,300, as against \$35,281,200 on the corresponding day last year. This notice was issued by Deputy Commissioner Farrell.

To relieve as much as possible the inconvenience and discomfort to our citizens by the reduction of pressure made necessary by the lack of rainfall and the consequent inadequacy of the supply, the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity will endeavor to give as near full pressure as possible between the hours of 8 P. M. and 10 P. M., so that parties using water above the street floor level can fill the necessary receptacles to give them sufficient supply for domestic purposes during the following day. All consumers are warned that the utmost care must be exercised in the use of water and else the pressure must be still further reduced.

Deputy Fire Chief Lally has given instruction to have men placed on special duty at the large manholes in the various fire districts so as to open the water cocks to their full pressure in case of second or third alarms.

Deputy Commissioner Farrell directed Sgt. Clarke of the Street Cleaning Department to shut off all the sprinklers and water carts now in use in the department.

## STEAMER BLOWN OVER AND SUNK.

WABASHA, Minn., July 17.—The steamer Clyde of Stillwater was struck by a storm opposite Minneapolis, half way between Winona and this city, to-day. It turned completely over and sank in eighteen feet of water. The crew escaped. The boat belonged to Bronson & Folsom of Stillwater and had in tow a raft of logs.

## JUSTICE O'BRIEN HURT PLAYING GOLF.

Justice Morgan J. O'Brien of the Supreme Court and one of the Equitable trustees is laid up at his country home at Good Ground, L. I., with a sprained leg. He got the hurt playing golf. It was said at his home last night that he was confined to his room and that it would be a week or ten days before he could get out. The injury is not serious.

## SIXTEEN KILLED IN CHURCH COLLAPSE.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun.

ROME, July 17.—At Ferrara, during the celebration of mass yesterday, the floor of the church of the founding asylum caved in. Sixteen girls were killed and thirty-four were dangerously hurt.

## FIRE AT FORT HAMILTON.

Three alarms were rung late last night for a fire that began in the stables on the reservation at Fort Hamilton